I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service, with sufficient postage, as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313 on December 10, 2004 Date of Deposit Vincent J. Gnoffo, 44,714 Name of applicant, assignee or Registered Representative Date of Signature Case No. 10022/29 IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE In re Application of: Gary R. Garrow et al. 09/690,793 Examiner: J. Reagan Serial No: Filed: October 17, 2000 Group Art Unit: 3621 For: CONFIGURING MECHNICAL **EQUIPMENT** PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 CFR § 1.136(a)) Mail Stop AMENDMENT Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Dear Sir: This is a petition for an extension of the time to respond to Office Action dated September 8, 2004 for a period of 1 month(s). X Applicant: claims small entity status. See 37 C.F.R. §1.27.

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Extension <u>Months</u>	Other Than <u>Small Entity</u>	Small Entity
One Month Two Months Three Months Four Months Five Months	\$120.00 \$450.00 \$1,020.00 \$1,590.00 \$2,160.00	\$60.00 \$225.00 \$510.00 \$795.00 \$1,080.00

Fee Payment

\bowtie	Attached is a check for \$120 for the Petition fee.
	Attached is a credit card authorization form for \$ for the Petition fee.
	Charge Petition fee to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this Petition is attached.
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Respectfully submitted,

Dated: Dec. 10, 2004

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